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In re application of: Subroto CHATTERJEE

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SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE

Further to the response submitted September 6, 2002, Applicant requests consideration of the application in view of the attached Rule 132 Declaration of Suburto Chatterjee ("Declaration") and the following remarks.

REMARKS

In further response to the outstanding rejection under §103, Applicant respectfully requests consideration of the attached Declaration (unsigned). A signed version of the Declaration will be sent under separate cover. The undersigned wishes to thank the Examiner for considering the unsigned Declaration at this time.

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